

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY PORT LOUIS

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ECON, PINS, MP

SUBJECT: INCOME TAX CONTROVERSY

REF: PORT LOUIS 0573

1. ONE-DAY PRIVATE SECTOR STRIKE CALLED BY MAURITIUS TAX PAYERS' ASSOCIATION (MTPA) REPORTED REFTEL, ENDED JULY 17. DURING VIOLENT DEBATE IN LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY DURING STRIKE PRIMIN CASTIGATED BUSINESSMEN AS "MONOPOLISTIC CAPITALISTS AND FASCISTS". HOWEVER, LEGISLATION APPROVED WITH SOME MODIFICATIONS INTERPRETED AS CONCESSIONS BY MTPA. FINANCE MINISTER RINGADOO ALSO ANNOUNCED THAT CONSIDERATION WILL BE GIVEN TO PROPOSALS FOR FURTHER MODIFICATIONS BEFORE BILL IS ENACTED.

2. COMMENT: WITH SHOPS OPEN AND DOCKS WORKING AGAIN PORT LOUIS APPEARS BACK TO NORMAL BUT DEPTH OF RESENTMENT EVIDENT IN LEGISLATIVE DEBATE HAS NOT BEEN MOLLIFIED AND MAY ERUPT AGAIN OVER TAX ISSUE.

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## Message Attributes

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